

The Weather

Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday. Rising temperature Sunday; humidity above normal.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Temperatures

Highest yesterday 58
Lowest this morning 38
24-hour precipitation to 5:30 A. M. 1.6

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Today

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One Active City.
Farewell Chicago May.
Men of Three Wars.
Big Marriage Problem.

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CHICAGO, June 1.—Hot in other places, cool here, thanks to the big lake, cooling winds that blow over it. Gigantic buildings going up, including one with more floor space than in any other ever built on earth. James Simpson, who owns Marshall Field & Co., is building that, with railroad tracks under it, the Chicago river beside it, leading out to the lakes and oceans.

Chicago's "I will" has not died out. Buildings that amazed the world by their height and size a few years ago are coming down to make room for bigger buildings. In public improvements, Chicago is ceaselessly active, with parks, playgrounds, bathing beaches that set an example to other cities. Great areas are reclaimed from the lake. And the scheme for development of the lake front exceeds, in scope and beauty, anything done in America.

All this does not interest Thomas McElligott, carried out of a grill room, alias speakeasy, on West Madison street. His career as a racketeer ended, when one of three bullets, fired into him, went through his heart. Chicago gangsters, as a rule, observe the etiquette of their profession, killing only other gangsters.

"Chicago May" Churchill died in the Philadelphia general hospital yesterday, aged 52.

Her life offers to scenario writers an exciting moving picture, talking, singing, shooting and popping. May was queen of Chicago's underworld when it was a real underworld and \$5 a bottle for champagne seemed a great deal.

A lady of power, she married several, knew many others intimately and was about to marry again when "death claimed her," as reporters put it.

France put one of her most intimate friends, Eddie Guerin, on Devil's Island, with other convicts. Chicago May took a yacht, some money and rescued Guerin by bribery.

Miss May, at 15, married a bank robber, Del Churchill, in Nebraska and when he was killed by the sheriff her active life began on Chicago's levee. Chicago papers gave her biographies longer than Professor Nicholson will get. The public understands Chicago May and her long sealskin coat. It can't understand Nicholson's interferometer.

In memorial, processions marched men of three wars. Young men from the big war, men of middle age from the Spanish war.

Many more wars must come. How many millions will be shot, blown up, gassed, drowned or die of disease to the spending of billions, before war goes to join cannibalism and slavery? Nobody knows. But every child might know that the way to avoid war is to be ready for it. Build up your strength that you may successfully resist disease, says the gentle pacifist to his children.

Why not say to the nation: "Build your strength, that you"

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EXCISE TAX UP TO VOTE JUNE 28TH

Supreme Court Upholds Ballot Titles in Excise Tax Referendum and Fraternal Insurance Companies Attack—Income Tax Held Up for Vote in November, 1930.

SALEM, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—The 1929 legislative act creating two new circuit judges in Multnomah county will not be come effective before the regular election of November, 1930. This became a certainty today when the supreme court orally handed down an opinion upholding the ballot titles prepared by Attorney General Van Winkle in the Woodward referendum invoked against the measure. Since the referendum petitions have been completed and filed with the secretary of state the act is held up until voted on by the people and Governor Patterson will not in the meantime appoint the judges to fill the two positions.

The supreme court also upheld the attorney general's ballot titles in the excise tax referendum and in the initiative attack on fraternal insurance companies. Completed petitions in the excise tax referendum have not yet been filed, but it is understood they will be completed and filed by next Tuesday. The final date allotted by law, so the completed petitions in the excise tax referendum and in the initiative attack on fraternal insurance companies, completed petitions in the excise tax referendum have not yet been filed, but it is understood they will be completed and filed by next Tuesday.

Complete Petitions Should the supreme court have found the attorney general's ballot titles defective the circuit judges act would have become effective June 4. The governor would then have had 15 days in which to make the appointments, and he indicated today that he would have taken advantage of that time. The Smith yesterday in the income tax referendum is the final move holding up that act a full year. Had the referendum not been invoked on the income tax the state tax commission would have taken it into consideration in making the state tax law next December. Now, however, it will be disregarded at that time, but should the people approve it in the election of November, 1930, it is believed the tax commission in making the annual levy in December, 1930, would levy on the incomes of both 1929 and 1930. The state tax office was of this opinion today, but admitted that there was some doubt on this question.

The oral opinions of the supreme court today will be followed later by written opinions.

KANSAS CITY TO L.A. AIR SERVICE IS INAUGURATED

KANSAS CITY, June 1.—(AP)—Daylight passenger service between Kansas City and Los Angeles began here today when at 8:45 a. m. the first regular ship of the Western Air Express took the air. Jack Dempsey, former world's heavyweight boxing champion, one of the passengers, caused a 15-minute delay in the take-off. He arrived from Chicago at 8 o'clock and did not reach the field until just in time to climb aboard the 12-passenger, three-motored airplane.

The former champion said his only object in flying to Los Angeles was to see his wife, Estelle Taylor, of the movies. The take-off from the municipal airport here was made on a muddy field under lowering clouds. Royal Leonard of Kansas City was the pilot.

Daily trips, each way, are planned by the Western Air Express company, beginning today. The airplane scheduled to leave here at 8:30 a. m. will reach Los Angeles at 7 p. m. Stops will be made for passengers at Wichita, Amarillo, Tex., Albuquerque, N. M., and Holbrook and Kingman, Ariz.

SPURNED MATE SLAYS WIFE IN OFFICE BUILDING

Los Angeles Man Runs Amuck in Downtown Plant — Brother-in-Law Also a Victim—Slayer Takes Own Life.

LO SANGELES, June 1.—(AP)—Maddened by his wife's refusal to reconcile their marital differences, Casimiro Valdez, 45, shot and killed the woman in a downtown office building today, probably fatally wounded her employer and then took his own life. Police summoned to the scene by Mrs. Mercedes Lopez, sister-in-law of Vincente Lopez, employer of Mrs. Valdez, were told that the husband came to Lopez' tortilla manufacturing plant where, his wife worked, and shot her as she opened a door for him.

FULL ACCORD FOR REPARATION NEAR

PARIS, France, June 1.—(AP)—The reparations experts came to a full accord on the reparations settlement today with the exception of the troubled question of reparation to Belgium for German marks left in that country by the German armies of occupation. That question, the only one remaining open in a way of a compromise settlement, probably will go over until next week, permitting the governments concerned to carry on interchanges.

LANDLADY'S FARM MIXED IN PLOTS

MACON, Ga., June 1.—(AP)—The mysterious deaths of an unknown youth and an overseer on a farm owned by Mrs. J. C. Powers, occupied officers investigating the tangled web of "insurance murder plots," in which they believe the 71-year-old rooming house keeper may have been involved. Both men were believed to have assigned life insurance policies to Mrs. Powers, who now is held with Earl Manchester, 21, on a charge of slaying James Parks for his \$14,000 insurance.

BUILD BOX FACTORY GRANTS PASS SITE

GRANTS PASS, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—Construction will start next Monday on a new box plant here to be operated in connection with the Swede Basin lumber company's mill. The box plant will have a daily capacity of 40,000 feet and will utilize box material from the lumber company's mill. It is being constructed by Los Angeles interests and will operate throughout the year.

Baseball Scores

Table with columns for American and National leagues, listing teams and scores.

Dedicate Hospital TOKYO, Japan, June 1.—(AP)—The Fraternity Memorial hospital, built with the residue of the American people's contributions to the Red Cross at the time of the 1923 earthquake, was dedicated today.

FAMOUS PAIR IN JOVIAL MOOD



The camera caught James Tunney and Bernard Shaw in happy mood on Island of Brioni where they spent many hours together.

HEAT INCREASES DEATH TOLL ON EASTERN COAST

Casualties Near Fifty Mark — Boston Feels First Relief—8 A. M. Reading of 84 Degrees Yesterday Highest in Country.

NEW YORK, June 1.—(AP)—Deaths from the extreme heat which has blistered the north Atlantic states four days nearer the half hundred mark today. Nineteen persons died from the heat yesterday and three were drowned.

With the temperature in the New York City area reaching a maximum of 90 degrees, the highest thus far this season, nine persons succumbed and 18 were prostrated.

A New York Central railroad fireman died while working near Auburn, N. Y. A boy was drowned at Newark, N. J., the third drowning in Wayne county within 24 hours.

One death was attributed to the heat at Patterson, N. J., and an 11-year-old girl was drowned at Chews Landing, N. J., while swimming.

Boston, one of the centers to suffer most from the torrid spell, was the first to feel relief. A thermometer reading of 84 degrees at 8 a. m. yesterday made it the hottest place in the country at that hour, but by noon the temperature had fallen to 71. Five deaths occurred, however, before the heat wave broke.

Other deaths were reported at Malden, Mass., and Lawrence, Mass. A 12-year-old boy was drowned at Providence, R. I.

JOSEPHINE SPORTSMEN BOOST WALTON LEAGUE

GRANTS PASS, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—Organization of a state division of the Isak Walton league of America will be effected at a meeting set for June 29 at Portland. Letters are now being sent to the 35 chapters in Oregon by the Josephine chapter, the second oldest in the state, upon request of many Oregon Waltonians.

PRESBYTERIANS VETO COUNCIL WITHDRAWAL

PITTSBURGH, June 1.—(AP)—The general assembly of the United Presbyterian church today rejected a proposal that it sever its relations with the Federal Council of Churches. The assembly was urged to withdraw from the council in a memorial presented by the Uglye presbytery.

RUM FURY ENDED ON IRON RAILS

Chicago Madman Killed By Train After Slaying Three and Wounding Three Others — Believe Sober Realization Caused Suicide — Debauch Began Three Weeks Ago.

CHICAGO, June 1.—(AP)—Ferdinand Preuss, the madman who shot three men dead and wounded three others while in a drunken frenzy yesterday, was decapitated today by a Chicago & Northwest-ern railroad train. A body found on the right of way was identified positively by a fishing license issued to Preuss, and police believed the man, sobered over night, realized the tragedy of yesterday and committed suicide.

The condition of Preuss' body indicated he had lain on the track and waited for the train to run over him, police said. Preuss, a war veteran and expert marksman, killed two policemen and a civilian yesterday and wounded two policemen and two civilians with a pump shotgun. The police were members of a squad sent to arrest him after neighbors heard him threaten to kill his wife.

John Lee Conley, leader of the defective squad, was the first to fall before the madman's onslaught. After mortally wounding him, Preuss fired at Policeman Herbert Hagberg, who whirled, screamed, took a dozen steps, and fell dead.

Had Deadly Aim

Preuss acquired a deadly aim during the World war, where he gained honorable mention for his marksmanship. He went mad late yesterday, his wife said, after a drink debauch that began three weeks ago. As early as yesterday morning he warned neighbors to "keep your heads inside the windows if you don't want them blown off."

Police got a call that a man was quarreling with his wife and threatening to kill her. Policeman John Lee Conley's detective squad went to the north side flat where lived Preuss and his wife. The house that had been quiet when they approached echoed with the roar of a pump gun as a charge of shot crashed through a window and tore into Conley's chest. A second roar and Hagberg fell.

Policeman Joseph J. Murphy, Conley's chauffeur, who had remained in the car, seized a shotgun and started to the help of the other policemen. He had taken less than a dozen steps when Preuss' pump gun blazed through a front window and Murphy fell, badly wounded.

A second later Gus Karos, who lived three doors away from the Preuss home, and John Chorzak, another neighbor, both attracted by the shooting, met where Murphy had fallen. Karos had rushed out to meet his blind brother-in-law, Rudolph Krusch, who had been to a nearby store and was expected home.

Another shot and Chorzak, who was standing ten feet from the window, fell dead. Karos jumped to shield with his body his brother-in-law, who was just passing the house. As he did so the fifth shell in Preuss' gun was discharged and struck him in the back.

Empties Gun

Preuss, in a fury, pressed the trigger again and the hammer fell on an empty chamber. Police believe that the only reason Krusch, the blind man, was not numbered among the victims.

The slayer a second later rushed out of the rear door of his home, shouting the names of Conley and Hagberg, and then fled into an alley after taking the policeman's shotgun and, it is believed, his revolver.

In the alley, Preuss met Frank Vodka, who was running toward the scene of the shooting. Vodka turned and ran into a narrow passageway when he saw Preuss, foaming at the mouth and aiming the shotgun point-blank at him. Preuss fired one shell, then threw the weapon at Vodka as the latter fled. The drink-crazed man was seen to take a pistol from his belt, wave it wildly, and run down the alley. That was the last seen of him.

Mrs. Rose Preuss, the slayer's wife, was found in the home of a neighbor, where she had taken refuge when her husband fired three shots at her before the police arrived.

Physicians said Karos had been wounded 14 times and that he probably would die. Prince Henry Concerned. VICTORIA, B. C., June 1.—(AP)—Stepping on Canadian soil for the first time, Prince Henry, Duke of Gloucester, today expressed concern for his father, King George, who on Thursday suffered a relapse which forced him to take to his bed at Windsor castle.

Wife of Savings Man Sick by Shock

OMAHA, June 1.—(AP)—George L. Debs, Omaha, died last night of what physicians said was "shock and a broken heart." Last Monday night Debs returned from a hospital, where he had undergone a major operation, to be informed that his wife had run away with another man, taking his life's savings of \$1600 and leaving six small children at home. Examining a trunk where Debs found it missing, he collapsed and was returned to the hospital, where he died.

LAWYER TAKEN FOR DEATH RIDE OUTWITS THUGS

Dumped in Roadside Ditch Chicago Victim Feigns Brutality—Attackers Make Good Escape.

CHICAGO, June 1.—(AP)—Oliver N. Olson, a lawyer, 52 years old, was taken for a ride last night, beaten so badly that a leg and six ribs were broken and then dumped out for dead in a ditch. Only the fact that he "played dead," he said, saved his life.

Olson was lured from his Wheaton, Ill., home into an automobile on the pretext that a friend needed him at the Villa Park police station. Reaching a quiet spot on the road, the men stopped the car on the plea of tire trouble. Olson was struck down from behind and then was attacked by both men, one of whom kept saying, "Kill him."

After he had been thrown into the ditch, Olson said, the men advanced upon him as though to continue the beating, but he kept motionless and the men, believing him dead, went away. A motorcycle officer found the lawyer shortly afterward.

Olson could advance no motive for the attack.

JACKSON GETS \$1,624 FOR AID OF COUNTY FAIR

SALEM, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—A total sum of \$56,116.61 in county fair funds has been apportioned among the counties of the state by the secretary of state, it was announced today.

This is a levy of one-twentieth mill on a total taxable property valuation in the state of \$1,122,322,186.43 with \$3,943.61 additional due to the legal provision that Multnomah county shall not receive over \$16,500 from the levy. The Multnomah county excess of \$109.49 for each county is required by law to be used for road purposes.

Among the apportionments are the following: Baker county, \$1247.80; Coos, \$1439.71; Douglas, \$1670.14; Jackson, \$1625.55; Josephine, \$494.21; Klamath, \$827.76; Lane, \$2751.67; Marion, \$1615.46; Multnomah, \$16,609.49; Umatilla, \$2435.25; Union, \$1190.27; Wallowa, \$626.91.

FLOODS IN TEXAS CLAIM TEN LIVES

HOUSTON, Texas, June 1.—(AP)—Floods in south and west Texas following torrential rains, today had claimed ten lives, and caused damage amounting to millions of dollars.

Three persons, none of whom was identified, drowned yesterday. A messenger boy on a bicycle was caught in the swirling current in a street here and was swept away. A terrified snooker fell into the water and he, too, was carried away. It was believed the bodies would be recovered in the basement of some nearby building when the water recedes. Seven others lost their lives earlier this week.

BALDWIN TO CONFER ON PARTY AIM

Premier Faced With Two Alternatives — Resign in Favor of Laborite Or Reconstruct Ministry—Opinion On Course Divided—Strong Wing Urges Vote Challenge.

LONDON, June 1.—(AP)—Faced with the defeat of his party and a stalemate in parliament, Premier Stanley Baldwin went to his country home at Cheamers for the week-end where it is expected he will confer with leading members of his party.

Next week he will meet the cabinet and decide upon the course the government will take. With the administration defeated at the polls in Thursday's general election and the labor party the largest in the next house, although lacking in absolute majority, the prime minister has two alternatives.

He may place his resignation in the hands of the king and leave to Ramsay MacDonald, the labor leader, the duty of forming a labor government, or he may reconstruct his stricken ministry, meet parliament and place on the liberals the decision of either supporting him or putting labor into office.

With 13 constituencies out of 615 still unreported, the lineup that now confronts the prime minister is as follows: Labor, 287; conservatives, 253; liberals, 54; others, 8.

Conservative opinion as to Mr. Baldwin's course is divided, but there is a strong wing urging him to challenge a vote in parliament. They argue that while the labor party is the strongest it has no clear majority and that in about 50 constituencies won by labor the conservative and liberal vote together was greater than that polled by labor.

Other conservatives think it would be more dignified to resign at once.

GEORGE WOODLEY TO OCCUPY BENCH

SALEM, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—George H. Woodley, Portland lawyer, will on June 4 be appointed by Governor Patterson as district judge for Multnomah county to fill the new district judgeship created by the 1929 legislature. The governor so announced today.

P. R. Peterson of Portland was today appointed by the governor as a member of the state board of pharmacy, succeeding H. E. Mason of Albany, whose term has expired and who was not a candidate for reappointment. Peterson formerly was president of the National Association of Retail Druggists and is now a member of the executive committee.

A Japanese scientist has constructed an all-glass house which is said to be air, dust and bacteria proof.

Will Rogers Says: PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—A sure certainty about our Memorial day is, as fast as the ranks from one war thin out, the ranks from another take their place. Prominent men run out of Decoration Day speeches but the world never runs out of wars. People talk peace, but men give their life's work to war. It won't stop until there is as much brains and scientific study put to aid peace as there is to promote war.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.

P. S.: Say, what do you know about Owen Young getting those hyenas to agree. Remember, boys, he is a emocat. Don't try to claim him, you Republicans.

